

SPORTS

In Opp consolation game

Kinston Bulldogs zap Zion Chapel 70-43

The Kinston Bulldogs claimed third place honors in last week's Opp Christmas Tournament with a 70-43 final round win over the Zion Chapel Rebels, last Thursday afternoon at the Opp High School gym.

The Bulldogs held a slim 20-16 lead after one quarter of play, but outscored the Rebels 22-9 in the second quarter to open up a

42-25 halftime advantage. Kinston's lead went to 56-37 in the third quarter, and the Bulldogs survived late rash of fouls to escape with the big 70-43 win.

Tim Donaldson scored 22 points, and Matt Whigham added 16 to lead Kinston, while Zach Stephens led Zion Chapel with 17 points.

Bulldogs and Rebels are no match for 4A Bobcats

The Kinston Bulldogs and Zion Chapel Rebels both butted heads with the host Opp Bobcats last week in the opening rounds of the Opp Christmas Tournament and both dropped hard fought decisions to the 4A Bobcats.

Following are highlights of both games:

OPP 64 KINSTON 45

The Kinston Bulldogs matched the Opp Bobcats basket-for-basket in the final two quarters last Monday night, but were unable to overcome a big halftime deficit as they opened the tournament with a 64-45 loss.

Opp came out ready to play in its holiday tournament and used its combination of speed and outside shooting to jump out to a big 35-15 halftime advantage. Kinston settled down in the third quarter and began to play with the Bobcats on both ends of the court, but did little to slow down the Opp attack as the Bulldogs trailed 56-30 heading into the final stanza.

Kinston took charge in the fourth quarter and outscored the Bobcats 15-8, but it was too little, too late, as the

OPP 70 Z.C. 41

The Zion Chapel Rebels fell behind early and never recovered last Wednesday night in a 70-41 loss to the Opp Bobcats.

Zion Chapel could do little to slow down the Bobcats in the opening stanza and trailed 26-6 after one quarter of play, but the Rebels did settle down in the second quarter and outscored Opp 13-12 to cut the deficit to 38-19 at the half. The Bobcats regained command in the third quarter and extended their lead to 53-25, and turned back a late Rebel rally to hand Zion Chapel the 70-41 setback.

Zach Stephens scored 16 points and Adam Carter added 12 to lead the Rebels, while Opp was led by Rhett Barnes with 15 points, Rodney Colston with 14, and Danshay Edwards with 12.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs and Zion Chapel Lady Rebels get in extra holiday work at Opp tournament

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs and Zion Chapel Lady Rebels both competed in the Opp Christmas Tournament, with the Lady Bulldogs claiming third-place honors with a 1-2 record and the Lady Rebels placing fourth with an 0-3 slate.

Following are highlights of the girls' action:

Goshen 74 Zion Chapel 22

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels tipped off the tournament last Tuesday afternoon and dropped a lopsided 74-22 decision to the Goshen Lady Eagles. The Lady Rebels trailed only 20-8 after one quarter and were within striking range at 33-13 at the half, but saw the Lady Eagles pour in 41, second half points as Goshen took command and pulled away to claim the 74-22 win.

Torie Hodge scored 9 points and Jennifer Taylor added 8 to lead Zion Chapel, while Zadaous Pollard scored 22 points to lead Goshen and Whitley Sanford added 18.

Opp 43 Kinston 19

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs failed to score in the opening quarter and never recovered last Tuesday night as they fell to the Opp Lady Bobcats 43-19, in opening round action. Opp took advantage of the Lady Bulldogs' scoring woes to open up an early 8-0 advantage, and by the end of the third quarter Kinston found itself on the short end of a lopsided 40-11 score. The Lady Bulldogs did settle down late and held Opp to only 3 fourth quarter points, but it was too little, too late, as Opp easily held on to post the 43-19 win.

Kalleghe Sanders scored 10 points to lead Kinston, while Joi Rhymes scored 12 for the Lady Bobcats.

Goshen 64 Kinston 46

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs returned to the court last Wednesday afternoon and battled hard for all four quarters in a 64-46 setback to the Goshen Lady Eagles. Kinston couldn't keep pace with the speedy Lady Eagles in the opening half and trailed 39-16 at the half, then saw Goshen take complete command in the third quarter as the Lady Eagles pulled out to a 53-23 advantage. The Lady Bulldogs woke up on the offensive end of the court in the final stanza and matched their output from the initial three quarters. However, it did little but change the score as Kinston took the loss 64-46.

Kalleghe Sanders scored 24 points and Ashley McCall added 14 to lead Kinston, while Shonketa Christian scored 24 points and Zadaous Pollard added 16 to lead Goshen.

Opp 63 Zion Chapel 25

The Zion Chapel Rebels were outscored in all four quarters last Wednesday night as they fell to the Opp Lady Bobcats 63-25. The Lady Rebels had no answer for the Opp attack in the opening stanza as the Lady Bobcats ran out to a 24-6 advantage, and while Zion Chapel did settle down in the second half, it made little difference as the Lady Rebels absorbed the 63-25 defeat.

Torie Hodge scored 16 points to lead Zion Chapel, while Abby Foster scored 12 points and Sharece Stephens added 11.

Kinston 43 Zion Chapel 33

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs pulled ahead late in the second quarter and never looked back Thursday afternoon as they rolled to a 43-33 win over the Zion Chapel Lady Rebels. The Lady Rebels took command early and led 9-6 heading into the second quarter, only to see Kinston stage a late second stanza rally to sneak ahead 23-20 at the half. Kinston was never able to pull away, but the Lady Bulldogs did manage to hold on to their lead and claim the 43-33 win.

Kalleghe Sanders scored 17 points and Christie Whigham added 10 to lead Kinston, while Jennifer Taylor scored 14 points to lead Zion Chapel and Torie Hodge added 13.



Zion Chapel's Matt Brunson (20) dribbles up court after getting around an Elba defender. The Rebels placed fourth in last week's Opp Christmas Tournament.

(Photo by Laura Basley)

OPP CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT

ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS

BOYS:

Matt Whigham and Jake Hataway, of Kinston; Gavin Respress, Jason Mitchell and Frank Morris, of Elba; Zach Stephens and Adam Carter, of Zion Chapel; Danshay Edwards, Albert Wilson, Reggie Jones and Donald Jones, of Opp.

MVP - Rhett Barnes - Opp.

GIRLS:

Zadaous Pollard, Whitley Sanford and Shonketa Christian, of Goshen; Ashley McCall and Kalleghe Sanders, of Kinston; Torie Hodge and Anna Wilson, of Zion Chapel; Kiara Henderson, Joi Rhymes and Abby Foster, of Opp.

MVP - Sharece Stephens, Opp.



Kinston Lady Bulldog Heather Marlowe (24) shoots from the corner during action last week in the Opp Christmas Tournament. The Lady Bulldogs placed third in the three-day event.

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During Coffee County Commission meeting

Sheriff-elect Dave Sutton introduces several key administration appointees

by Linda Hodge, Editor

A motion approved during the last meeting of the Coffee County Commission drew yet another lengthy discussion Monday morning, Jan. 8, during the regular scheduled bimonthly meeting.

Commissioner Bernest Brooks said he believed an underhanded approach was taken during the previous Commission meeting to hire a specific consultant to look at the county's internal control, and he offered a motion Monday morning to rescind the action taken at the last meeting. This action was the hiring of Kathy Lolley as a consultant.

Commissioner Robert Stephens supplied a second to the motion. He said he would second the motion for the sake of all commissioners being able to vote on it.

Earlier in the meeting, Commissioner Doug Dalrymple had presented to commissioners a sheet of paper which he said included the job duties and schedule for Lolley to complete her consultant work.

Brooks said he did not believe the county should have to hire

someone to go behind the state auditors. Apparently using the paper supplied by Dalrymple, Brooks suggested Lolley would be paid \$100 per hour (4 hours per week) for up to six months.

Commissioner Linda Westbrook again confirmed her belief that it is the responsibility of the commission to make sure internal control is in order, and the hiring of Lolley as a consultant would support that responsibility.

Brooks' motion to rescind the hiring of Lolley as a consultant failed to pass with a vote of 2-4-1. Commissioners Brooks and Stephens voted in favor of rescinding while Commissioner Westbrook, Dalrymple, Tom Grimsley and Jim Thompson voted against it. Commissioner J.L. Weeks abstained from the vote.

Before any other action was taken, county attorney Joe Cassidy strongly encouraged commissioners to create a formal contract (agreement) with Lolley specifying the details of the job she is being hired for, a length of service and compensation for the service.

Commissioner Stephens offered a motion to accept the

attorney's advice asking him to prepare an agreement/contract to be approved by the commission. He received a second from Commissioner Weeks, and the motion passed by a 6-1 vote. Commissioner Brooks cast the lone opposing vote.

Commissioners opened proposals for the county depository during Monday's meeting. Only two proposals were received. The Peoples Bank of Coffee County presented a proposal with an interest rate of 5.52 percent for the entire year while CB&T presented a proposal with an interest rate of 4.03 percent for the 12-month period.

Commissioner Stephens said he thought the proposal spoke for themselves and offered a motion to award the county depository to The Peoples Bank. This motion passed by an unan-

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New Brockton Town Council tables garbage contract discussion

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council conducted a fairly routine meeting Monday evening, Jan. 8, as members gathered for

the regular monthly meeting.

While presenting his report to council members, Police Chief Dale Grimes said new police cars received through a USDA grant arrived last Saturday. He also announced that one of the older police vehicles was involved in an accident recently.

Due to the accident and with the arrival of the new vehicles, Grimes suggested and asked for approval from council members to repaint and stripe the (green)

vehicle he once drove and replace the wrecked vehicle with it on patrol. He also suggested using the wrecked vehicle for parts.

Since there was no immediate rush for an answer to this request, council members decided to table the issue for further discussion before making their decision. Council member Jeff White did ask Grimes to acquire some estimates regarding the cost of painting and striping the police vehicle.

Bids were opened last week regarding the town's new garbage contract, and Mayor Charles Cole said only one bid was received. He said the current contract holder, Arrow Disposal, presented a bid with two separate options.

During a brief discussion, council members conceded the cost of the garbage collection service will have to increase for residents with the new contract.

Conducted by Elba Police Department

Women's Safety course begins with sexual harassment, assault & rape prevention class

Elba Chief of Police Freddy Hanchey announced this week the previously advertised women's safety course offered by the Elba Police Department will be held in two phases.

Hanchey said Phase I of the course will involve the Sexual Harassment, Assault and Rape Prevention class. The class will be held Thursday, Jan. 25, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the community room of the Elba Fire Department.

This class is designed to promote safety awareness. The

class will be taught by qualified instructors, and they will stress the importance of being aware of surroundings, people and how to handle various situations.

Chief Hanchey said he would like for those interested in participating in these safety courses to contact him again to help verify the headcount. However, he also said the class will be open to all interested.

To sign up for the course, contact Chief Freddy Hanchey at 897-2555.

Joseph Kyle English joined the Elba Police Department five months ago and currently serves as a patrol officer.

While Officer English is just beginning his career in law enforcement, he said working in law enforcement has always been a dream of his.

"The five months I've been here have been most enjoyable," said English. "I love excitement, and with this job you get it every day."

In regards to training, English has 20 college credit hours in criminal justice.

He said he does not yet have a most memorable police experience but is looking forward to making many memorable ones.

English said he loves all sporting activities including basketball, baseball, fishing and hunting. His family includes his



Patrol Officer Kyle English with his family: wife, Kaci, and parents, Ken and Patsy English.

Angler Recognition Program will honor Alabama's record catches

Alabama anglers who land a "whopper" freshwater fish will soon be recognized by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources under a new program that went into effect January 1.

The Fisheries Section of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division will unveil its Angler Recognition Program, which will highlight the achievements of freshwater fishermen, as well as maintain records in three categories – the state's 43 reservoirs, 20 state public fishing lakes and private ponds.

Cook said the expanded records program will start with black bass (largemouth, smallmouth, spotted and redeye) with the intent to include other species later.

The good news for anglers is that there is more to the program than records. Anglers can be recognized for catching a certain size fish. The size of the fish will determine whether the angler receives a Master or Trophy designation. Plus, the Master and Trophy recognition won't be limited to black bass. It will also include black and white crappie; striped, white and hybrid bass; blue, channel and flathead catfish; redear and bluegill sunfish; walleye and sauger.

Damon Abernethy, the reservoir management biologist in charge of the program, said the achievement levels could be different for each body of water. For the Master and Trophy certifications, an application must still be submitted for each fish.

Line-class records recognized by the International Game Fish Association (IGFA) will be accepted, but an application must still be submitted for each fish.

The new program also includes what bass fishermen would consider the ultimate in their sport – the Black Bass Grand Slam. "Any angler who qualifies in either the master or trophy level for all four species of black bass will receive the Black Bass Grand Slam plaque," Abernethy.

All applications must be mailed to Damon Lee Abernethy, Reservoir Management Biologist, Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, 64 N. Union St., Suite 551, Montgomery, AL 36130.

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inous vote. Senator Jimmy Holley and Representative Terry Spicer spoke briefly during Monday's meeting and announced two grants awarded to Coffee County.

Senator Holley said Wayne Farms is located on a county road (C.R. 114) that needs upgrading, and he said he was proud to announce Coffee County as the recipient of a \$900,000 industrial access grant that will allow for the upgrade.

Rep. Spicer also announced the awarding of a grant equaling \$80,000 that will be used for resurfacing on county roads 704 and 259.

Both Holley and Spicer said they wanted to attend Monday's meeting not only to announce the grants, but also, to thank the commission and county employees for all their hard work. They said good teamwork goes a long way in acquiring such grants.

County engineer Randy Tindell asked commissioners to approve a resolution to initialize the resurfacing project on County Road 114 from Alabama Highway 167 N to County Road 138. Commissioners unanimously approved his request.

Also, Tindell asked for a resolution to initialize the resurfacing project on County roads 259 and 704. Again, his request was approved unanimously.

Coffee County Sheriff-elect Dave Sutton briefly addressed commissioners during Monday's meeting and said his administration takes over operations Sunday, Jan. 14, at midnight. He announced a swearing-in ceremony to be held Sunday, Jan. 14, at 2 p.m. in Judge Paul Shering's office at the Enterprise Courthouse.

Sutton also took a moment to introduce some key appointees to his administration. He said R.W. "Ronnie" Whitworth will be his chief deputy, Chris Davis will be his captain of operations, Richard Moss will be the jail administrator and Johnny

Griffin will be the head of reserve officers. "Together, we bring over 95 years of law enforcement service to Coffee County," Sutton said.

In other business, commissioners:

- Approved a motion to engage Jared and Brunson, attorneys at law, to handle collections for the solid waste office.
- Awarded the lawncare bid for the Enterprise Courthouse to Southeastern LawnCare. The one-year bid was for \$9,900. It does include a renewal option for two years at the same price

contingent upon both parties.

- Approved a preliminary plat for Coldwater Creek subdivision.
- Approved a final plat for Bridlewood Four subdivision.
- Approved a motion to apply for a low-interest, long-term loan from the USDA to make repairs at the farm center depending on the approval of a grant.
- Approved a motion to send out bids for repair of the roof at the farm center.
- Approved a motion to purchase two copies of a video entitled "Dying for Meth."
- Approved a motion to

change the county's bereavement policy to include grandchildren and step grandchildren.

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A 14 year old in Bullock Co. died in a 4-wheeler accident Saturday afternoon. We didn't know the child, his family nor any of the details but that doesn't matter... a child is dead. Any death is sad, but when one occurs before the person ever really experiences the full enjoyment of life, it seems to be worse. We have all heard such stories and some of you have experienced such a loss personally and definitely don't need this reminder. But for those who might not be as sensitive to the dangers associated with any motorized vehicle, please urge - every day urge anyone operating such a vehicle to be careful. Be more than careful, be paranoid... they might live longer.

CEO Bob Nardelli's was recently fired from Home Depot. However don't cry for this guy, he'll get \$20 million in cash, the acceleration of unvested stock options to the tune of \$77 million, the payment of previously earned and vested deferred shares worth nearly \$44 million and retirement benefits worth about \$32 million. Throw in other benefits and payments, and the company is cutting a check for \$210 million. That is to a man who wasn't doing the job expected of him. Gosh what would they have paid him if he had succeeded with the improvements the board of directors and stockholders wanted?

That brings us to another somewhat sore spot with many people. College coaching staffs are getting to be awful expensive items. The \$4 million record just set by the University of Alabama got more tongues wagging. Whatever the exact amount, it is a bit above our wildest dreams. Our thoughts had once been to offer ourselves for one of those coaching jobs and when the firing came along, take the pay-off and laugh all the way into retirement. Now we are declining any coaching position... our resume is being sent to Home Depot, with a dream of getting fired after several years of a fat salary. If we must continue dreaming, we plan to go for the \$210 million rather than a little ole \$30 million a coach might get!

An article in a business publication amused us a bit. This writer was ready to fire Steve Jobs as the head of Apple Computers. Now he wasn't talking as a stockholder, but as a member of the public. His argument rotated around the ongoing scandal of stock options back dating which apparently is not illegal, but frowned upon. Actually it is the news media trashing Jobs... not stockholders. Apple stock has done very well under Steve Jobs and on Tuesday of this week Apple stock rose 5% after Jobs announced another of his new computer related items using cutting edge technology. Doesn't appear Jobs needs to be updating his job hunting resume any time soon!

Watch for the Elba High School band marching in the inaugural parade next Monday. They will be in Montgomery representing Elba and Coffee County... and we are sure they will do it well.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Jan. 1, 2007, investigated the following incidents: three for domestic violence, one for identity theft, one for breaking and entering of a motor vehicle, two for theft of property, one for an open door, one for burglary, one for forgery, one for possession of marijuana, one for possession of a controlled substance, one for a threatened suicide and one for a dog bite.

The following arrests were made: one for public intoxication, two for theft of property, one for domestic violence, one for possession of marijuana, one for possession of a controlled substance, one for criminal mischief, two for domestic violence and one negotiating a worthless non-negotiable instrument.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for no insurance.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, JAN. 1 - Domestic disturbance reported at 2154 Taylor Mill Rd. (12:49 a.m.).

TUESDAY, JAN. 2 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 2192 County Rd. 124 (11:53 a.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported at 490 County Rd. 263 (7:09 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 3 - Theft reported at 1404 South Reese Ave. (2:36 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to 816 Putnam St. (8:35 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JAN. 4 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 87 S. (1:23 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 207 Fox Rd. (6:22 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JAN. 5 - Possible burglary reported at 1596

Powell Circle (12:16 a.m.); Possible domestic disturbance reported at 1519 Caroline St. (5:02 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to County Rd. 325 W. 7:00 a.m.; Coffee County EMS dispatched to 7945 County Rd. 110 (11:38 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 1591 Caroline St. (12:34 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 381 Old Samson Rd. (6:30 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 381 Old Samson Rd. (6:35 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 717 W. Davis St. (7:56 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JAN. 6 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 808 Putnam St. (1:20 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 413 Addison Ave., Apt. A (7:11 a.m.); Burglary reported at 14305 Hwy. 84 (8:23 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 507 Hwy. 84 E. (6:09 p.m.); Fight in progress reported at the American Legion building (8:55 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JAN. 7 - Disturbance (noise) reported in the area of Jackson St. (9:36 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 545 Davis St. (1:55 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1543 Powell Circle (9:10 p.m.); Report of a gun being discharged in the area of Reynolds St. and Martin Luther King Dr. (8:49 p.m.).

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Obituaries

MARY EDITH BLUDSWORTH CAWTHON

Mrs. Mary Edith Bludsworth Cawthon, age 58, of County Road 446, Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2007.

Mrs. Cawthon was born October 30, 1948, in Geneva County, Ala., to the late Elmer Edgar and Annie Lee Donaldson Bludsworth.

Funeral services were held Jan. 5, 2007 in the New Life Baptist Church, Kinston, Ala., with Rev. James Hataway officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery with Sorrells Funeral Home of Geneva directing. Memorial donations may be made to the New Life Baptist Church, c/o Janet Donaldson, 222 Co. Rd. 446, Elba, AL 36323.

In addition to her parents, one brother, Charles Bludsworth; well as two sisters, Joann Bowman and Diane Williams, preceded her in death.

Survivors include her husband: Henon Cawthon, Inc. community of Coffee County; three daughters: Sherry (husband: Danny) Barnes and Tammy Louise Kelley, both of Opp, Ala., Melanie (husband: Jovi) Tinajero, Inc. community; four grandchildren: Hunner Barnes and Jade Kelley, both of Opp, Brooke and Ashley Sims, both of the Ino; two sisters: Doris Bickenshaft, Elaine (husband: James) Hataway, both of Ino; three brothers: William Bludsworth, Samson, Ala., Sammy (wife: Stella) Bludsworth, Ino, and Billy (wife: Jenny) Bludsworth, Amarillo, Texas.

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EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

The Curtis Community with Reverend Ben Amlong, Reverend Larry Doster and Reverend Duane Delamain officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Donaldson; and a son, Buck Donaldson.

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two daughters: Debbie (husband Rick) Troyer, Troy, Lanette (husband Joseph) Smith, Jack; three sons: Phillip Sanders and Kenneth Sanders, both of Jack, Chris (wife Libby) Sanders, Enterprise, Ala.; two sisters: Estelle Sessions and Barbara Woods, both of Samson, Ala., Annie Mae Johnson, Elba; four brothers: Roy Henderson, Brantley, Ala., David Henderson, Banks, Ala., James Henderson, Florida, Bobby Henderson, Samson; 11 grandchildren: Ricky Troyer, Travis Troyer, Glen Troyer, Stephen Troyer, Jon Sanders, all of Troy, Allen Sanders, Jeremy Sanders, Jason Sanders, Eddie Sanders, Eric Sanders, all of Jack, Brandon Sanders, Enterprise; and one granddaughter

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THINKING OF YOU, PRAYING FOR YOU: The Smith Family, All the soldiers here and away from their homes.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Lorenzo Wages-January 4 (In Memory Of), Carine Daniels-January 8, J.C. and "Neat" Rodgers-January 9 (Wedding Anniversary), Ezzie Lavin Rideaux-January 12, Bobby Gulley-January 13, Tameka Tillis-January 13, Tillman Lindsey-January 14 (In Memory Of), Helen Phillips-January 14, Braxton Robinson-January 14, Carolyn Lawrence-January 14 (In Memory Of).

THE ANNUAL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PROGRAM will be celebrated with a musical on Saturday, January 13, 2007, at 6 p.m. at Pleasant Shade Missionary Baptist Church, Enterprise, Alabama. For more information contact: Lenette Fikes-334-393-5861.

GREATER SPRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH, New Brockton, Ala., Rev. Barry Causey, pastor, will be celebrating their annual Matron's Day Sunday, January 14, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. Guest will be Reverend C.A. Hammond, Jr. from Pleasant Shade Baptist Church, Enterprise.

PLEASANT SHADE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH will be celebrating their Family and Friends Day on Sunday, January 21, 2007, during 10:30 a.m. worship service. The theme will be "Every step I take." Reverend C. A. Hammond, Jr. of Enterprise, Ala. is pastor. For more information contact Bro. Taylor Thornton-(334) 393-6611.

The Mulberry Missionary Baptist District Association, Elba, Ala., Rev. W. L. Peterson, Moderator will hold its annual board meeting on January 20, 2007 at the Mulberry Missionary Baptist Association Building located on Hwy. 84, Elba, Ala. At 9 a.m. all auxiliaries are asked to meet. The annual board meeting will begin at 10 a.m. All members of the association are asked to be present.

THE ANNUAL MISSIONARY DAY will be held January 14, 2007 at 3 p.m. at Shady Grove A. M. E. Church, Ala. The guest speaker will be Minister Roy Matthews, Bethlehem Temple Church of God in Christ, Bellwood, Ala. Everyone is invited.

NEW ARRIVAL

Tamariah La'Nita Irene Samuel announces the birth of a baby girl, Tamariah La'Nita Irene Samuel, born Christmas Eve, December 24, 2006, in Enterprise. She weighed 5 lbs., 15 ozs. and was 19 in. long. Grandparents are: Gary & Juanita Burks and Perry and Clarissa Samuel.

She was welcomed home by her family.

Today is a good day. Be grateful. Eria

Gospel singing set for January 20 at Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church

There will be a gospel singing at Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church, located on County Road 110 (between Hwy. 125 and Hwy. 167) on Saturday, January 20, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Featured will be

The Old Southern Gospel Group of Jack, Ala. and The Franklins of Abbeville, Ala. For more information call Gus Grant-(334) 897-6793 or Bill Daughtry-(334) 733-2010.

The Snellgroves & The Dyess Family to be in Concert on January 14 at Country Cathedral

The Snellgroves and the Dyess Family will be in concert at Country Cathedral on January 14, 2007 at 6 p.m. Country Cathedral is located about 5 miles east of Opp, AL. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Dixie Echoes will be at Country Cathedral on Thursday, January 27th

The Dixie Echoes will be in concert at Country Cathedral on Thursday, January 25, 2007 at 7 p.m. Country Cathedral is located on HWY 84 about 5 miles east of Opp, AL. Everyone is welcome to attend. No admission will be charged. A love offering will be received. For more information, call 334-493-7413.

Luveme First Assembly of God to hear Betty Jean Robinson at two special services Feb. 10 & 11

Betty Jean Robinson from Up On Melody Mountain will be in concert for two services in February at Luveme First Assembly of God Church, Luveme, Ala.

These special services will be Saturday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 11, at 11 a.m. Luveme First Assembly of God Church is located on the Glenwood Road in Luveme.

Wesley Chapel to host Naomi and The Segos in concert on January 19th

Naomi and The Segos will be in concert at Wesley Chapel Community Church, Hwy. 65 & 54 (Bells Cross Roads), January 19, 2007 beginning at 7 p.m. For more information call 795-6143.

Elba Church of God to hold benefit barbecue this Saturday, January 13

A benefit barbecue will be held Saturday, January 13, at the Elba Church of God. For more information or to place pick-up orders call 897-2989 or 897-1593. Delivery will be made for shut-ins.

Singles Conference to be held at Hillcrest Baptist Church in Enterprise

Singles Conference for all singles and those who work with them sponsored by Coffee Baptist Association. This event will be held January 20, 2007 from 12:00 to 5:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Baptist Church New Fellowship Hall, located at 500 Alberta Street, Enterprise, AL. The guest speaker will be Neysa Wilkins, a beautiful, energetic, talented christian woman and community leader.

She is a new pastor at Hillcrest Baptist Church. Former Miss Troy University, Miss Southeast Georgia, and much more.

There will be special music, refreshments, door prizes and much more! For childcare please call 894-6411 by January 15. There is no cost to attend this conference.

Zion Chapel senior named Coffee County DAR Good Citizen

On Saturday, Dec. 9, the John Coffee Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution held its annual Christmas luncheon at the Old South Inn in Elba with a total of 27 members and guests attending.

Sue Cobb, chapter reagent, called the meeting to order, welcomed the guests and conducted the opening ceremony. Donna Clark, chairman of the DAR Good Citizen committee, began by having a moment of silence in memory of former DAR Good Citizen, Catherine Grimes and her family.

The DAR Good Citizen Award recognizes senior students in accredited public, parochial and private schools who excel in the qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. This is a prestigious award because the students are selected by recommendations of both faculty and peers in the local school.

Stacy Williams, the overall winner, was chosen from five local winners. She received a \$100 savings bond donated by Army Aviation Federal Credit Union.

In the competition, each local winner was asked to compile a detailed resume including activities, awards and community service that show his or her qualities as a good citizen, which include dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. The student also writes an essay on patriotism. As the overall winner, Stacy's essay and resume goes to the district for further judging. On the national level, a \$3,000 scholarship will be awarded to the National Outstanding DAR Good Citizen.

Clark introduced each student, their accomplishments and awards.

Chase William Boutwell Elba High School

School awards and participation include:

- Who's Who Among American High School Students
- National Youth Forum on Medicine
- National Youth Forum on Law
- Alabama Electric Cooperative Essay Contest, top five winner
- Alabama Boy's State
- Congressional Student Leadership Conference
- Wendy's High School Heisman Nominee
- Alabama Youth Summit
- Southeast Sun Super Eleven Football

• Elba High School Ambassador

- Senior Beta Club Treasurer
- Varsity Baseball
- Varsity Football

Chase is also a member and officer of other clubs including VICA, FFA, FFA, FBLA, and Mu Alpha Theta.

After graduation, Chase plans to attend Troy University and major in sports medicine. His hobbies include, playing sports, hunting, and fishing. In the past summers, he has worked as a lifeguard at the Elba City pool and also taught swimming to younger children.

Jonathan Lee Holliday Enterprise High School

School and community activities:

- Varsity football
- FBLA
- Manager of the EHS Varsity Basketball Team
- Reads to elementary students
- Assisting younger football players in the weight room
- Preparing Christmas gifts for Operation Christmas Child

WORSHIP AT THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY

WESLEY CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. Earl Smith
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

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kindergarten

- Participated in Relay for Life
- Visits Nursing homes
- Worked in a food/supplies drive for victims of Katrina
- Nicole's hobbies and interests are camping, scrapbooking, photography, crafts, bowling and other sports.

Justin Gregory Corbitt New Brockton High School

Justin's activities include:

- He is ranked #1 in his class with a 4.0 average.
- Written articles for the school news paper as well as for the school page in The Elba Clipper
- Member of the FFA Forestry team
- FCCLA Parliamentary Procedure Team
- FBLA
- NBHS Ambassador
- Coffee County Youth Leadership
- Yearbook Staff
- Scholar's Bowl Team
- Attended the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference
- Alabama Boy's State

After High School graduation, Justin plans to attend Auburn University and pursue a degree in aerospace engineering

Stacy Nicole Williams Zion Chapel High School

School and community involvement:

- Stacy is a member of the marching band and concert band. She has been accepted into the Montevallo Honor band and The Sound of America
- America's Who's Who Among High School Students
- Attended John Phillip Sousa Honor Band
- National Honor Society
- Nominee for The Junior Statesman Summer School



NOMINEES FOR THE COFFEE COUNTY DAR GOOD CITIZENS AWARD included (from left to right): Justin Corbitt, New Brockton High School; Nicole Bowtell, Kinston High School; Chase Boutwell, Elba High School; and Jonathan Holliday, Enterprise High School. Not pictured is Stacy Williams, Zion Chapel High School.

Regional Winner on Introduction to Business in FBLA

- State winner on FBLA Parliamentary Procedure Team 2006
- Zion Chapel Newspaper staff
- FBLA President
- Beta Club President
- SGA President
- Yearbook Editor
- ZCHS Dance line Captain
- She is active in her church and has helped with VBS and chaperoned GA camp.
- She has done volunteer work at a local nursing home and helped with Christmas parties for underprivileged children.

Stacy's future plans are to attend Troy University and pursue a career as a nurse practitioner. She hopes to work in a family clinic, and one day assist families who are less fortunate.

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ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH
Ramon, Ala.
Pastor: Rev. St. Pastor
Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Nathan Carroll - Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.

BETHLE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. Phillip Copes, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Darryl Caldwell, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Dr. Tony Day Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.

BUFFY SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Don Egan, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. Billy Ray
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

CHRISTY GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Martin Barba
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
E. H. Hill, Minister
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Matt Gray, Pastor
Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship: 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities): 6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Hubert Waters
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Clifford Matthews-Interim
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting: Wed. 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ray Simeon, Pastor
Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
Ron Stafford, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
Rev. David Tadlock
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night: 9:00 p.m.
Wed. Night: 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.

ELBA IN ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Pastor Rev. Billy Ray
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. Roger Miller
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Stanley Carter, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Lonnie Martin, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

FATH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sybil Randall, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting: Wed. 7:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE
Evangelists: Rev. Billy Ray
Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.

GREATHER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Willie L. Petersen, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.

HARIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.

HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Stanley Carter, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Barbara Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH
Dewayne Nicholson, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

INNOVATION ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

IRON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.

LIVING WOOD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Ben & Mary Stinson, Pastors
Sunday Service: 9:45 a.m.
Training Union: 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Youth Service: 6:00 p.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Fred Forster, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Richard B. Moss, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Larry Grimes-Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Ray Layton, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

MULBERRY HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST
R. B. Williams, Minister
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class: 6:30 p.m.

MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION
Mary Steady
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service: 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service: 5:00 p.m.

NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. HIRSON & LINDA WILSON
Sunday: 7:10 a.m.
Wed. Even: 7:10 a.m.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - INTER-DENOMINATIONAL
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Praising Worship: 9:00 a.m.
Twining Worship: 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service: 6:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Wayne Webber
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Ben McKee, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH CENTER
Rev. Robert Smith, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study: 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet.: 6:30 p.m.

NEW KEEPER BAPTIST CHURCH
Deane Delaney, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet.: 6:30 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Elder Cornelius Newman-Pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Bib. Study Tues.: 7:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Gary Deane, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet.: 6:30 p.m.

NEW METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Stanley Carter, Pastor
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SPORTS

Claim second straight win

Lady Tigers surprise Highland Home 47-45

The Elba Lady Tigers claimed their second straight win last Tuesday night with an exciting 47-45 win over the Highland Home Lady Squadron.

Elba jumped out to an early 2-0 lead on an inside basket by Brandy Caldwell, and moved on top 9-4 with 3:30 remaining in the opening stanza when Caldwell grabbed a rebound and scored. A free-throw by Janae Carnley put the Lady Tigers on top 12-5 with :50 left in the quarter, and Carnley and LaFondra Thigpen both added late baskets as Elba opened up a 16-8 advantage.

Elba remained in command early in the second quarter and led 21-12 with 6:09 remaining in the half after a basket and a free-throw by Thigpen. However, Highland Home scored the game's next nine points to pull even at 21-21 with :54 left on the clock, and added two baskets in the closing seconds as the Lady Squadron went in at intermission with a 25-21 lead.

A basket by Ashley Carpenter with 3:34 remaining in the third quarter enabled Elba to pull within 27-26, but the basket was the last the Lady Tigers would score for almost three minutes as they watched Highland Home pull ahead 35-28 heading into

the final stanza. Highland Home upped its lead to 39-30 early in the fourth quarter and appeared to be in command. However, Elba's LaFondra Thigpen scored the stanza's next seven points as the Lady Tigers pulled within 39-37 with 2:17 left on the clock. A steal and a lay-up by Thigpen with 1:26 enabled Elba to catch Highland Home at 41-41, and Thigpen added two free-throws with 1:01 remaining to put the Lady Tigers back on top 43-41.

Kynu Coleman scored from inside with :45 remaining to put Elba back on top 45-43, but Highland Home caught the Lady Tigers at 45-45, and it took two last second free-throws by Thigpen to lift the Lady Tigers to the wild 47-45 win.

LaFondra Thigpen scored 24 points and Janae Carnley added 10 to lead Elba, while Merriweather led Highland Home with 23 points.

EL 16 5 7 19 - 47
HH 8 17 10 10 - 45

Elba (47): Henderson 3, Carpenter 4, Thigpen 24, Coleman 2, Carnley 10, Caldwell 4.

H. Home (45): James 8, Dunn 5, Gipson 4, Merriweather 23, Shepard 3.

Fall 68-50

Elba outscored by Squadron

The Elba Tigers saw their record slip back below the .500 mark last Tuesday night with a 68-50 court loss to the Highland Home Flying Squadron.

Elba fell behind early and trailed 6-2 with 5:57 remaining in the opening stanza, only to battle back behind the play of Jordan McBride and Jordan Bryant and score eight straight points as the Tigers moved on top 10-6 with 1:46 left in the quarter.

The Tigers lost the lead briefly in the opening seconds of the second quarter, but regained the lead at 15-13 on a three-pointer by Frank Morris with 6:57 remaining in the half. Morris added four points on a basket and two free-throws midway through the quarter. However, Highland Home outscored Elba 13-4 over a four minute span and moved back on top 26-19 with 2:23 left on the clock. Bobby Hudson and Morris scored again in the final minute of the half, but at intermission the Flying Squadron was still in command with a 30-24 lead.

Highland Home scored eleven straight points over a two minute span to open the third quarter as its lead grew to 41-24, and the Squadron never looked back as it went on a 13-4 spurt midway through the stanza to open up a lopsided 54-28 advantage with 2:09 left on the clock.

Frank Morris sparked a 9-0 Tiger surge to close the quarter as the Tigers closed to within 54-37, and Elba added four

quick points in the fourth quarter as it cut the Highland Home lead to 54-41 with 6:42 remaining in the game. The Squadron answered with a 10-0 run to up its advantage to 64-41 with 3:09, and Elba never threatened again as the Tigers saw their record slip to 8-9 with the 68-50 defeat.

Frank Morris scored 18 points to lead Elba, while Deymond Sankey led Highland Home with 17 points.

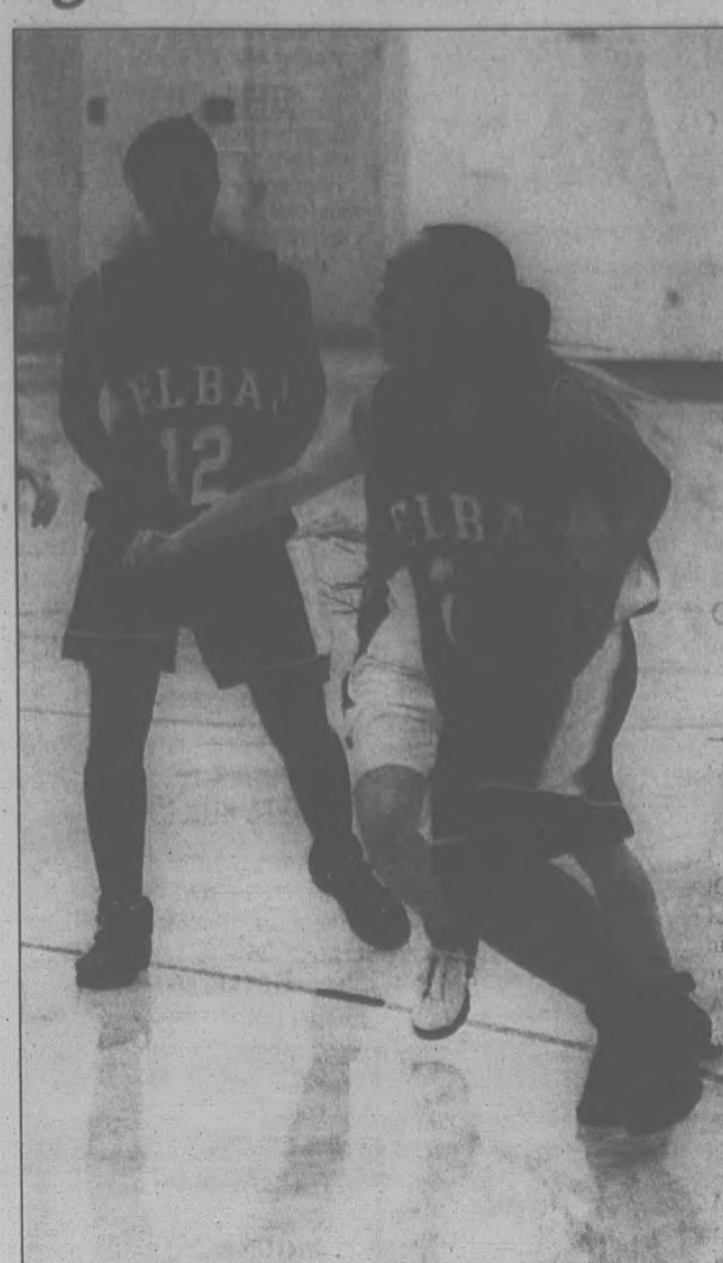
HH 11 19 24 14 - 68
EL 12 12 13 13 - 50

H. Home (68): Arrington 11, Bailey 7, Harris 7, Bryant 12, Merriweather 8, Wallace 2, Sparks 2, Sankey 17.

Elba (50): Hudson 2, Respress 4, Mitchell 1, Harrington 2, Bryant 5, Caldwell 2, Belcher 4, Morris 18, Tillis 8, McBride 4.

[JV GAME]

The Elba JV Tigers recovered from a slow start to post a 43-34 win over Highland Home. The Tigers led only 3-2 after a lackluster first quarter, but stretched their lead to 15-12 by the end of the half and then outscored the Flying Squadron 13-7 in the third quarter to take command and roll to the 43-34 win. Donta Reynolds scored 12 points to lead Elba, while Justin McLaughlin added 12 and Keanan Phillips scored 11. Also scoring for the Tigers were Jabari Cole and Stephen Magwood with 2 points apiece.



Elba Lady Tiger LaFondra Thigpen heads to the basket after dribbling around a screen set by teammate Leanna Henderson (12). The Lady Tigers upset Highland Home last week to claim their second straight win.

(Photo by Mike Capps)

Elba Tigers claim key area win over Straughn

The Elba Tigers traveled to Straughn Friday night for an area battle with the Straughn Tigers and improved their record to 9-8 by claiming an impressive 61-50 road win. Frank Morris scored 18 points to lead Elba, while Jason Mitchell added 15 and Quenton Caldwell added 8.

The Elba Lady Tigers saw their two-game winning streak come to an end with a 51-39 setback to Straughn. LaFondra Thigpen scored 24 points to lead Elba, while Abby Bracewell and Allie Stokes both scored 15 points to spark Straughn to the win.

The Elba JV Tigers suffered a rare loss when they were outscored by Straughn 45-41. Donta Reynolds scored 13 points to lead the Tigers.



SPORTS

New Brockton's Crosby named to Dothan Eagle "Super 12"

The Dothan Eagle announced its "Super 12" high school football teams last weekend and included on the honored list in the small school division was New Brockton linebacker Adam Crosby.

Crosby, a senior, made 170 total tackles in the Gamecocks' season, including 116 solo stops. The New Brockton stand-out also had 4 quarterback sacks, 3 caused fumbles, 3 fumble recoveries and 2 interceptions.

Following is the complete "Super 12" roster in both divisions:

LARGE SCHOOL DIVISION

Josh Smithart, senior, offensive linemen, Andalusia; Darrell Reynolds, junior, running back, Pike County; D.J. Wiggins, senior, quarterback, Abbeville; Terrance Thomas, senior, linebacker, Eufaula; Justin Johnson, senior, wide-receiver, Northview; Reginald Melton, senior, running back, Ashford; Jerrel Jernigan, senior, quarterback, Eufaula; Michael Scott, senior, running back, Geneva; Jonas Randolph, junior, running back, Daleville; Ladarius

McNeil, senior, running back, Andalusia; Kyle Zalka, senior, linebacker, Enterprise; Tobias Lee, senior, quarterback, Pike County. Player of the Year - Tobias Lee, Pike County. Coach of the Year - Dan Klages, Eufaula.

SMALL SCHOOL DIVISION

Stanley Jones, senior, running back, Houston Academy; Jake Nobles, junior, running back, Providence Christian; Basari Rambo, senior, quarterback, Seminole County; Phillip Sylvester, senior, running back, Marianna; Andre Jordan, junior, running back, Houston County; Ty Taylor, senior, linebacker, Arlton; Davis Flowers, senior, linebacker, Houston Academy; Blake Wallace, junior, quarterback, Wicksburg; Adam Crosby, senior, linebacker; J.J. Laster, senior, running back, Graceville; Brian Exley, senior, running back, Geneva County; Emmanuel Taylor, senior, quarterback, Early County. Player of the Year - Emmanuel Taylor, Early County. Coach of the Year - Toby Greene, Geneva County.

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ROUND-UP

Brantley Lady 'Dogs outscored by Goshen 60-55

The Brantley Bulldogs battled the ninth-ranked Goshen Lady Eagles for all four quarters before falling 60-55, Thursday night. Taronda Randall scored 18 points and Sherry Gully added 13 to lead Brantley, while Shonetta Christian scored 17 points and pulled down 14 rebounds to spark Goshen.

New Brockton Gamecocks zap Zion Chapel 84-37

The New Brockton Gamecocks snapped their five game losing streak Thursday night with an easy 84-37 win over the Zion Chapel Rebels. Alex McNair scored 17 points to lead the Gamecocks, while Devin Muhammad added 11 and Tevin McNair scored 10.

Zion Chapel Lady Rebels roll to big 48-28 victory

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels pulled ahead early and never looked back Thursday night as they posted an impressive 48-28 win over the New Brockton Lady Gamecocks. Torie Hodge scored 15 points to lead Zion Chapel, while Anna Wilson added 10 and Jennifer Taylor scored 9. Valarie Hutcherson scored 12 points to lead New Brockton and Vanna Marshall added 6.

New Brockton Gamecocks fall to G.W. Long 72-52

The New Brockton Gamecocks traveled to Skipperville Friday night and were outscored by the G.W. Long Rebels 72-52. Dadrion Johnson scored 23 points to lead the Gamecocks, while Tee Morris scored 32 points and pulled down 15 rebounds to lead the Rebels.

New Brockton Lady Gamecocks tripped up 52-25

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks were simply outmached Friday night in a 52-25 loss to the G.W. Long Lady Rebels. Margaret Jackson and Ashley Dunn both scored 17 points to lead G.W. Long, and Jackson also pulled down 12 rebounds.

Kinston Bulldogs lose to Providence Christian 60-49

The Kinston Bulldogs dropped an important area contest Friday night when they lost to the Providence Christian Eagles 60-49, in Kinston. A.J. Johnson scored 16 points and Aaron Jacobs added 13 to lead the Bulldogs, while Nathan Chase led Providence Christian with 25 points.

Kinston Lady 'Dogs edged out by Providence 47-42

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs dropped a key area contest Friday night when they lost to the Providence Christian Lady Eagles 47-42, in Kinston. Heather Marlowe scored 19 points to lead Kinston, while Providence Christian was led by Rebecca Dowd with 22 points and 11 rebounds.

Antler development in white-tailed deer - a new look at an old obsession

By: Bill Gray, Supervising Wildlife Biologist - District VI Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries

Large antlers in male white-tailed deer are one of the natural world's most revered structures. For the most part, large antlers are viewed within the context of human understanding. What then, is their significance when viewed within the context of their role in white-tailed deer ecology? One study may begin to shed some light on the significance of large antlers from a white-tail's point of view.

The major histocompatibility complex (MHC) is a grouping of genes closely related to the immune system in all vertebrate animals. Its relationship to the immune system is rooted in its important role in recognizing and responding to pathogens that enter the body.

A wide variety of data was collected from 128 hunter harvested deer from October and November of 1995 and 1996 on the McAP site. This data included chest girth, body weights, antler scores (using Boone and Crockett standards), skull length, overall body length, and both internal and external parasite loads. In addition, liver tissue was taken from each to provide material for genetic analysis. Upon genetic analysis, deer were placed in one of two distinct genetic lineages and were found to be assignable to three categories or "types" based on MHC specific genetic profiles, those being type 11, 12, and 22 deer respectively. Type 11 deer had MHC profiles from lineage 1; type 22 deer had MHC profiles from lineage 2; and type 12 deer had MHC specific genetic profiles from both lineages - thus indicating greater heterozygosity (genetic diversity) for MHC profile.

Interestingly, deer with both MHC profiles (type 12 deer) had 20% and 13% greater Boone and Crockett scores than type 11 or 22 deer respectively. Similarly, average number of points and average basal circumference for type 12 deer were 14% and 8% greater than for type 11 and 22 deer respectively. Type 12 deer also had a 13% greater average length of main beams than type 11 deer whereas this trait did not differ in comparison to type 22 deer. Other physical indices such as chest girth, body mass, and skull length did not differ significantly between the three types of deer with the exception of a 5% greater average body mass and skull length of type 12 deer when compared to type 11 deer.

To learn more about Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources visit www.outdooralabama.com.



WILL LARUE... the seven-year-old son of Julie and Wayne LaRue, Conway, Ark., killed his first deer recently while hunting at his Dad's deer camp near Monticello, Ark. He is the grandson of Henry and Fay Holliday of Elba.

Area teams make state prep basketball poll

The Alabama Sports Writers Association released its weekly high school basketball rankings late last week, with a number of area teams making the statewide poll.

In the "Boys'" rankings, the Enterprise Wildcats were ranked 6th in Class 6A; Andalusia was ranked 1st in Class 4A; Abbeville was ranked 5th in Class 3A; Barbour County was ranked 4th in Class 2A; and Brantley was ranked 6th in Class 1A.

In the "Girls'" rankings, Eufaula was ranked 9th in Class 5A; Ashford was ranked 4th and Opp was ranked 6th in Class 4A; Calhoun was ranked 3rd in Class 3A; Samson was ranked 1st, Geneva County was ranked 3rd and Goshen was ranked 9th in Class 2A; and Pleasant Home was ranked 10th in Class 1A.

Following are the "Top 5" teams in all six classes and both divisions, along with area teams:

BOYS' RANKINGS

Class 6A - 1. LeFlore, 2. Hillcrest-Tuscaloosa, 3. Jeff Davis, 4. Gadsden City, 5. Opelika (Also) 6. Enterprise

Class 5A - Williamson, 2. Butler, 3. Pleasant Grove, 4. Decatur, 5. Dallas County

Class 4A - 1. Andalusia, 2. Southside-Selma, 3. Douglas, 4. Alexandria, 5. Lawrence County

Class 3A - 1. Sumter County, 2. Crossville, 3. Lauderdale County, 4. Madison Academy, 5. Abbeville

Class 2A - 1. Lanett, 2. R.C. Hatch, 3. White Plains, 4. Barbour County, 5. Ranburne

Class 1A - 1. J.F. Shields, 2. Collinsville, 3. Sulligent, 4. St. Jude, 5. Covenant Christian (Also) 6. Brantley

GIRLS' RANKINGS

Class 6A - 1. Jeff Davis, 2. Davidson, 3. Sparkman, 4. Bob Jones, 5. Hillcrest-Tuscaloosa

Class 5A - 1. Ramsey, 2. Hartselle, 3. Arab, 4. Athens, 5. Jess Lanier (Also) 10. Eufaula

Class 4A - 1. Deshler, 2. Midfield, 3. DAR, 4. Ashford, 5. Lawrence County (Also) 6. Opp

Class 3A - 1. Pisgah, 2. Greensboro, 3. Calhoun, 4. Lexington, 5. Lauderdale County

Class 2A - 1. Samson, 2. Cold Springs, 3. Geneva County, 4. Sand Rock, 5. Section (Also) 9. Goshen

Class 1A - 1. McIntosh, 2. Gaston, 3. Hazlewood, 4. Spring Garden, 5. Notasulga (Also) Pleasant Home

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SHAKEDOWN AT THE COFFEE COUNTY JAIL

New sheriff sends clear message through search and seizure

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County Sheriff Dave Sutton affirmatively began his term in office Tuesday morning, Jan. 16, by conducting an unannounced shakedown at the Coffee County Jail.

The sheriff acquired a special search team from the Alabama Department of Corrections to

complete the search and seizure. During a briefing prior to the shakedown, Sheriff Sutton said the jail system needs to be cleaned up, and he thinks it is important for the public to know his office is going to take control.

The sheriff indicated the search would be a sign that his office plans to take control from

the start, and he said anyone caught bringing contraband into the jail or destroying property would be charged accordingly. "There's a new sheriff in town," was Sutton's response to a question of what brought about Tuesday's shakedown.

New jail administrator Richard Moss also addressed those participating in the shakedown during the briefing and said K-9 units would first make an area search and would then be followed by the search team. He provided the team members with a list of the items prisoners are allowed to possess and asked them to confiscate anything not on the list.

As the search began, team members almost immediately began identifying products not allowed. From tobacco products to pencil collections, they confiscated any and all items not included on the approved list.

"We're dead set on cleaning this jail and keeping it clean," Sheriff Sutton said as the search continued. "We will do this as many times as we need."

The sheriff said he was not at all surprised by the products being found during the search. "We are going to run the jail," he said. "The prisoners are not going to run it."

Sutton said Tuesday's shakedown was a good example of taxpayers' dollars at work, and he said it was being conducted for the safety of the officers, as well as, the safety of other prisoners.

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The unannounced search of the Coffee County Jail early Tuesday morning, Jan. 16, almost immediately began revealing items that should not have been in possession of the prisoners. Tobacco products are not allowed, but the search team seemingly had no trouble finding such products. The above photo shows some non-allowed items confiscated by search team members including cigarettes and a collection of pencils. Team members checked everywhere for the items including (as shown above) a bottle of powder which allegedly contained an item that was confiscated.



New Brockton honors the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Several residents of New Brockton gathered Monday morning, Jan. 15, to participate in an annual event of commemoration. Joining many others across the nation, the residents remembered and honored the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on the day earmarked for him.

The day's event began with a youth program at the old Warren Smith School in New Brockton. This was followed by the annual "walk of remembrance" through the Town of New Brockton from the old school site to Poplar

Springs Baptist Church.

A special service, sponsored by the Progressive Circle of the New Brockton community, highlighted the event. Guest speaker was Oveta Pearce of Enterprise.

Event organizers said Dr. King helped move the nation to a higher plateau when he led the civil rights movement, and his legacy is found not only in civil rights but also in moral and civic responsibility of uniting people of all backgrounds to act upon community concerns.

Conducted by Elba Police Department

Women's Safety course begins with sexual harassment, assault & rape prevention class

Elba Chief of Police Freddy Hanchey announced the previously advertised women's safety course offered by the Elba Police Department will be held in two phases.

Hanchey said Phase I of the course will involve the Sexual Harassment, Assault and Rape Prevention class. The class will be held Thursday, Jan. 25, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the community room of the Elba Fire Department.

This class is designed to promote safety awareness. The class will be taught by qualified instructors, and they will stress the importance of being aware of surroundings, people and how to handle various situations.

Chief Hanchey said he would like for those interested in participating in these safety courses to contact him again to help verify the headcount. However, he also said the class will be open to all interested.

To sign up, contact Chief Freddy Hanchey at 897-2555.

Area Happenings



A special search team from the Alabama Department of Corrections is shown standing outside the Coffee County Jail Tuesday morning, Jan. 16, awaiting time for their entrance for the unannounced search of the facility. The search team marched into the building following several K-9 officers and immediately went to work checking every inch of the facility.

Dave Sutton accepts the oath of office as Sheriff of Coffee County

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Dave Sutton, Republican, officially became Sheriff of Coffee County Sunday, Jan. 14. He was elected to the position Nov. 7, 2006 during the General Election.

Sutton and his staff participated Sunday afternoon in a special ceremony at the Coffee County Courthouse in Enterprise as they officially accepted the oath of office. Coffee County District Judge Paul Sherling presided over the swearing-in ceremony.

After accepting his duty as Sheriff of Coffee County, Sutton spoke briefly about his plans for the office and promised better service to all citizens from the Coffee County Sheriff's Department.

Members of Sutton's staff followed him in accepting the oath of office. This was followed by a reception honoring all.



Coffee County District Judge Paul Sherling (left) is shown administering the oath of office to Dave Sutton (right) Sunday, Jan. 14, during a ceremony at the Coffee County Courthouse in Enterprise. Sutton was elected Nov. 7th by county voters to be the next Sheriff of Coffee County. Sutton's wife, Debbie, is shown holding the Bible for her husband as he accepts the oath of office.



ALL OFFICERS WITH THE COFFEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT accepted the oath of office during Sunday's ceremony. Following the swearing-in of Sheriff Sutton, his staff stood as one and together pledged to uphold the law and perform the duties of the office to the best of their ability. Sheriff Sutton said a few members of his staff were unable to attend the ceremony because they were out in the county working.

Elba Police

Marylene Coleman joined the Elba Police Department approximately four months ago and works as a dispatcher. The dispatching job is Coleman's first work experience in law enforcement. Prior to joining the department, she worked at TOT'S USA.

Coleman said she decided to join the Elba Police Department staff because she enjoys working with the public. She is the mother of two children, Michael Hooks and Matthew Hooks.

Away from the office, Coleman said she enjoys sewing.

Dispatcher Marylene Coleman

**Let's Go...
Outdoors with Ben**
by Ben Norman, Sports Columnist

**Think safety first
with new
Christmas gift**

Many of us received a new firearm, tree stand, bow, or other gift that, when used carelessly, can cause injury to us or someone else. A little common sense, adult supervision, and reading instructions can prevent most of these gift-related accidents.

The majority of firearm recipients at Christmas are in their teens or younger. Adult supervision and training in the use of firearms is a must. Anyone born after August 1, 1977 must complete the Alabama Hunter Education Course before they can be issued a hunting license. Personnel from the Alabama Dept. of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries and volunteer instructors teach this course. All aspects of firearm safety are covered, from loading and unloading firearms to safe carry positions of a firearm. Adults who attend the course with youngsters usually enjoy the course as much as the youngsters. After all, adults need to know that what they are teaching a beginner about firearm safety is correct. Complete the Hunter Safety course with a youngster and you will both leave a more knowledgeable outdoor person.

Firearms may cause more fatal accidents, but tree stand accidents now cause more injuries than firearms. Tree stands are excellent hunting tools that provide deer hunters with a better viewing area and allow them to get above the normal scent line of a deer.

Tree stands are not all alike and particular attention should be paid to the directions on how to set up and climb your new stand. Inspect it to make sure all bolts and retainers are included and you know where to place them.

Recipients of a new tree stand should attach the new stand to a tree and practice going up and down just a few feet above the ground until you are thoroughly familiar with the stand and feel confident enough to climb. Most tree stand accidents occur when ascending or descending the tree. A safety belt or harness will help prevent injuries from falls. Attach a climbing stand only to a tree of adequate diameter and avoid trees with very smooth bark as the climber may have a tendency to slip on such a tree.

Hunters often make the mistake of climbing with a firearm or bow slung across their back. This is inviting a more serious injury if one falls on their firearm or bow. Raising and lowering an unloaded firearm or bow with a small rope is the preferred method rather than trying to climb with the firearm or bow.

Arrows are another health risk that is often overlooked. Modern arrows are sharper than the razor that granddads used to shave with. Every year some one cuts themselves severely with a broad head. Arrow quivers should hold the arrows firmly and cover the broad head enough to prevent an accidental cut.

Receiving outdoor gear for Christmas is always exciting, but we need to remember that some gifts can be dangerous when not used correctly.

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